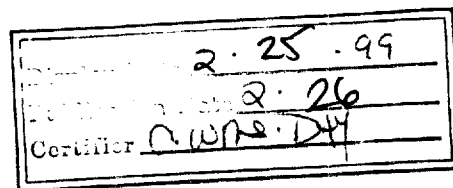


DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES



Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 84N-0102]

Cumulative List of Orphan Drug and Biological Designations

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the availability of the cumulative list of orphan drug and biological designations as of December 31, 1998. FDA has announced the availability of previous lists, which are updated monthly, identifying the drugs and biologicals granted orphan designation under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act).

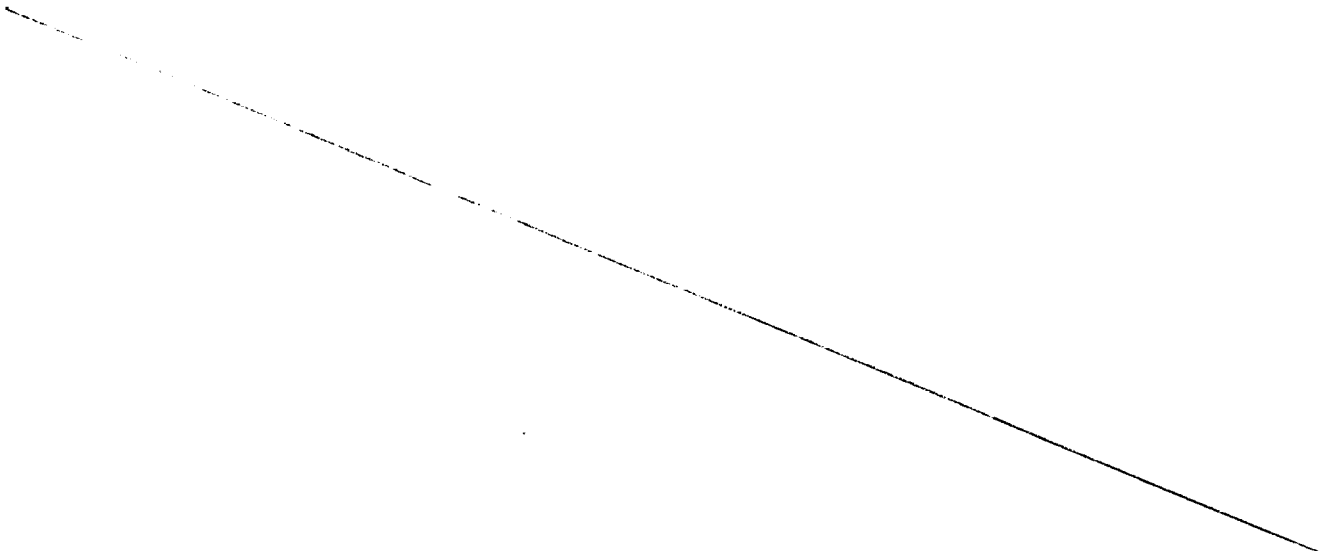
ADDRESSES: Copies of the cumulative list of orphan drug and biological designations are available from the Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 5630 Fishers Lane, rm. 1061, Rockville, MD 20852, and the Office of Orphan Products Development (HF-35), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-3666.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lisa M. Hubbard or Stephanie Donahoe, Office of Orphan Products Development (HF-35), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, 301-827-3666.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FDA's Office of Orphan Products Development (OPD) reviews and takes final action on applications submitted by sponsors seeking orphan designation of their drug or biological under section 526 of the act (21 U.S.C. 360bb). In accordance with this section of the act which requires public notification of designations, FDA maintains a cumulative list of orphan drug and biological designations. This list includes the name of the drug or biological, the specific disease/condition for which the drug or biological is designated, and information about the sponsor such as the name, address, telephone number, and contact.

At the end of each calendar year, the agency publishes a cumulative list of orphan drug and biological designations current through the calendar year. The list that is the subject of this notice is the cumulative list of orphan drug and biological designations through December 31, 1998, and, therefore, brings the January 30, 1998 (63 FR 4644), publication up to date. This list is available upon request from the Dockets Management Branch (address above). Those requesting a copy should specify Docket No. 84N-0102, which is the docket number for this notice. In addition, the list is updated monthly and is available upon request from OPD or FDA's Dockets Management Branch (address above). The current list is also available on the website, <http://www.fda.gov/orphan>.

The orphan designation of a drug or biological applies only to the sponsor who requested the designation. Each sponsor interested in developing a drug or biological for an orphan indication must apply for orphan designation in order to obtain exclusive marketing rights. Any request for designation must be received by FDA before the submission of a marketing application for the proposed indication for which designation is requested (21 CFR 316.23). Copies of the orphan drug regulations (21 CFR part 316) (57 FR 62076, December 29, 1992) and explanatory background materials for use in preparing an application for orphan designation may be obtained from OPD (address above).



The names of the drugs and biologicals shown in the cumulative list of orphan designations may change upon marketing approval/licensing, reflecting the established, proper name approved by FDA. Because drugs and biologicals not approved/licensed for marketing are investigational, the appropriate established, proper name has not necessarily been assigned.

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